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5 A METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR AN EXTENSIBLE CLIENT SPECIFIC
 MAIL APPLICATION IN A PORTAL SERVER

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

10 A method for providing extensible client mail functions to a plurality of
clients via the Internet. The method includes a portal server receiving a
request for mail functions from a client. In response to the request, a Java
server page corresponding to the request is accessed. A plurality of tags
contained within the Java server page are then accessed. The Java server
page is subsequently processed using the tags, wherein the tags provide access
15 to a mail server configured for providing the mail functions. The resulting
processed Java server page is then transmitted back to the client. When
requests from the client received, the Java server page corresponding to the
request can be retrieved from a set of compiled Java server page classes.
Extended mail functions can be provided by accessing a plurality of extended
20 tags contained within the Java server page, wherein the mail functions are
extended by adding the extended tags corresponding to new mail functionality
of the mail server.